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Applicant : Richard F Selden et al.
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P.O. Box 1450
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PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated May 27, 2003, be extended for two months to and including October 27, 2003.

Enclosed is a check for \$210 for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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